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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW

The week began with prices lower for the larger sizes and unchanged for the balance in all reported areas with the exception of the New York prices, which were unchanged. During the week New York extra large and large eggs were lower with all other reported prices unchanged. The trade sentiment was about steady to weak with the larger sizes in the weakest position. Demand was usually light to at best moderate for both cartoned and loose shell eggs. Supplies were adequate to ample. Breaking stock prices were lower. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Schedules were full time to extended. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Spent hen removal costs were unchanged to slightly higher. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate with demand light to instances moderate and better into rendering operations. Schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady. Removal costs were 2.5-10 cents, mostly 2.5-7 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to weak with large in the weakest position. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was usually light. Supplies were adequate to ample. Central States breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings continued fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Schedules full time to extended. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	38-47	41-44
LARGE	37-46	39-42
MEDIUM	25-34	27-30
MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, Western NY, and Western PA		

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged, however the larger sizes were trending lower. Trade sentiment remained mixed. Retail and distributive demand was mostly light to fair. Supplies were adequate to ample for current trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were fully sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Spent hens were adequate to ample.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	46-60	48-52
LARGE	41-55	46-50
MEDIUM	32-45	37-39
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT		

**COMBINED REGIONAL** Jun 23, 2006  
Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	58.50	56.00	38.00
SOUTHEAST	56.50	54.50	36.00
MIDWEST	51.50	49.50	28.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	58.50	55.50	35.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	56.32	53.91	34.49

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	06-27-06	06-20-06	06-28-05
Large	19-28	28-37	28-37
Medium	7-13	7-13	7-11

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- JUNE 26, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			NO	SO	SO		5-Area
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	7.4	20.3	6.6	15.0	14.1	63.4
	Change	-0.5	1.7	-1.1	2.1	1.2	6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	30.3	73.0	12.7	22.5	39.6	178.1
	Change	0.3	0.7	-2.3	-2.7	4.7	0%
Large	Curr Wk	47.9	193.2	78.4	99.4	132.0	550.9
	Change	-0.6	-5.9	2.4	1.6	8.3	1%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.0	49.3	21.3	19.6	34.2	138.4
	Change	-0.3	-7.2	-2.6	1.0	-0.8	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	3.7	9.1	0.5	4.2	4.8	22.3
	Change	-1.5	1.4	-0.1	1.1	1.6	13%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.7	30.4	9.0	14.5	5.5	61.1
	Change	-0.4	9.8	0.3	3.3	-1.0	24%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	18.1	57.0	24.5	35.8	34.5	169.9
	Change	1.2	13.9	1.7	-3.1	6.8	14%
Total	Curr Wk	123.1	432.3	153.0	211.0	264.7	1184.1
Percent	Change	-1%	3%	-1%	2%	9%	3%

**TOTAL** Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	1184.1	3%	166
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	242.6	-5%	35

Total Shell Egg	1426.7	2%	201
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1/ Information supplied by a universe of 166 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** W/E 24-JUN-2006  
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,405,746	34,352	13,945	7,313	3,118	4,605
PW	1,327,867	32,286	12,426	6,891	2,676	4,352
LY	1,378,428	32,841	13,156	7,232	3,704	4,351
% PW	6%	6%	12%	6%	17%	6%
% LY	2%	5%	6%	1%	-16%	6%
2006	32,135,976	792,592	300,928	161,977	72,837	108,282
2005	32,427,356	765,918	322,631	173,140	73,187	110,488
% YTD	-1%	3%	-7%	-6%	0%	-2%

CW PW LY

Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Included) 42.84 42.14 41.77

Average Yield Per Case - (Inedible Excluded) 39.56 38.86 38.62

**IN-LINE PRODUCTION** (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include a limited amount of off-line source material)

	Cases Broken		Liquid whole	
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total
CURRENT WEEK	639,178	45.5%	17,063	49.7%
PREVIOUS WEEK	610,659	46.0%	16,217	50.2%
LAST YEAR	558,871	40.5%	14,312	43.6%

**BROILER HATCHERY**

		<u>Broiler Eggs Set,</u>		<u>Broiler Chicks Placed,</u>	
		<u>19 Selected States</u>		<u>19 Selected States</u>	
		Week Ending			
STATE		JUN 17	JUN 24	JUN 17	JUN 24
		2006	2006	2006	2006
THOUSAND					
AL	:	31,072	30,898	21,647	21,242
AR	:	28,819	29,739	*23,373	23,507
DE	:	3,944	3,957	5,835	5,264
FL	:	1,374	1,373	1,408	1,535
GA	:	35,312	34,559	29,263	29,379
KY	:	*7,204	6,937	*6,325	5,432
LA	:	3,923	3,923	3,741	4,024
MD	:	8,961	9,007	4,849	5,916
MS	:	17,569	17,732	15,877	15,833
NC	:	*17,958	18,259	*15,230	15,260
OK	:	*6,533	6,493	5,107	5,079
PA	:	*4,033	4,089	*2,878	2,875
SC	:	5,103	5,124	4,460	4,364
TX	:	14,875	14,889	12,913	12,986
VA	:	6,338	6,354	*5,075	5,194
CA, MO, TN, & WV	:	*18,047	17,545	*17,007	16,250
19 State Total	:	*211,065	210,878	*174,988	174,140
Previous Year Total	:	214,626	212,546	178,125	178,879
Pct. of Prev. Year	:	98	99	98	97

\*Revised

**WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 05-Aug-06 is estimated at 160.8 million head. This compares to 161.0 million head the previous week and to 167.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 171.9 million head and the composite weighted average price was 71.45 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUN 22, 2006-JUN 28, 2006

LOADS:	CURRENT 134.00		FUTURE 136.50		TOTAL 270.50		
	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	23.50	30.00	24.50	25.86	--	--	9.00
GL W J	--	--	42.00	43.00	50.00	--	1.50
GL W XL	--	34.00	35.38	36.51	30.41	33.20	53.00
GL W LG	--	34.57	30.29	35.40	24.43	36.20	36.50
GL W MD	30.00	24.33	26.20	28.00	19.11	21.86	24.25
GL W SM	24.38	26.88	23.75	26.50	--	--	6.00
NRBS - 48	23.00	--	--	24.00	22.00	24.43	89.00
NRBS - 45	16.00	17.00	--	--	--	19.80	19.00
NRBS - 42	--	--	--	--	--	17.50	14.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	--	--	--	15.43	14.00
NRBS - 36	--	--	--	--	--	8.00	4.00

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 24-JUN-2006

Selected Consuming Centers	CW (Thousands)	LW	PERCENT CHANGE	
			LW	LY
Atlanta	28.6	26.7	7	21
Boston	3.0	2.6	15	-9
Chicago	58.7	66.2	-11	-15
Detroit	19.8	16.3	21	-15
Kansas City	5.3	4.5	18	-13
Los Angeles	104.0	108.2	-4	-8
New Orleans	5.9	6.2	-5	-3
New York	28.4	29.0	-2	2
St. Louis	18.1	15.0	21	-1
San Francisco	16.6	16.7	-1	-6
Total	288.4	291.4	-1	-6
4 Week Moving Avg.	292.0			

**TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS**

W/E 24-Jun-2006 (Preliminary)

	YOUNG TURKEYS			TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG		OLD	AVG
		CHG	LIVE		BANDED	LIVE
-THOUSAND HEAD-		PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-		WT
North East	808	3	23.47	(A)	810	23.47
South Atlantic	792	12	33.07	(A)	793	33.07
North Central	2,210	1	31.93	(A)	2,211	31.93
South Central	721	-12	16.00	(A)	722	16.00
West	336	-1	24.35	(A)	337	24.35
U.S. total	4,867(B)	0	27.83	6	4,873	27.83
To-date						
2006	110,798(B)			133	110,931	
To-date						
2005	105,935(B)			71	106,006	
(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.						
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 44,000; for the current year to date 544,000; for last year to date 543,000.						

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**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION**

	YOUNG		YOUNG OLD		TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	TURKEYS	
	Thousands				
W/E 24-JUN-2006					
Head	2,226	2,597	44	6	4,873
Avg Wt	16.63	37.35	32.42	28.49	27.83
Last week	2,188	2,629	27	8	4,852
Same wk yr ago	1,999	2,714	26	5	4,744
Avg Wt	16.06	37.14	27.21	30.79	28.20
To-date/2006	47,752	62,502	544	133	110,931
To-date/2005	41,708	63,684	543	71	106,006

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** (Preliminary)

W/E 24-JUN-2006	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	166,972	1,019	1,557	2,576	470
Avg Wt	5.30	3.29	8.15	6.23	6.69
Last week	163,708	1,025	1,684	2,709	489
Same wk yr ago	171,159	1,658	1,572	3,230	476
Avg Wt	5.29	3.20	8.18	5.62	6.65
To-date/2006	4,033,494	28,787	36,787	65,574	12,839
To-date/2005	3,980,119	38,864	34,521	73,385	12,476

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 164.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.0 million head, or 4.5 million more than estimated available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 01-Jul-06

	CW - 07/01/06(1)	PW - 06/24/06
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
CLASS		
Broiler/fryer	171,348(2)	165,999
Light hens	993	1,054
Heavy hens	1,674	1,633
Total	174,015	168,686

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 01-Jul-06 is 162.5 million head compared to 177.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 171.7 million head or 9.2 million more than estimated available. For the week of 08-Jul-06 the estimated available is 162.3 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/  
FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
May 20	169.3	165.1	103%	5.42
27	173.2	162.8	106%	5.37
June 3	144.6	163.1	89%	5.41
10	168.3	165.4	102%	5.38
17	165.7	166.0	100%	5.31
24	169.0	164.5	103%	5.30
Year to date	4082.5	4100.2	100%	
July 1		162.5		
8		162.3		

**FINAL BROILER/FRYER** Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 26-JUN-2006 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE		
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	57.00-60.00	58.35	36 :	58.78	66
Los Angeles	76.00	74.97	58 :	69.15	147
New York	58.00-61.00	60.32	22 :	61.79	68

**COMPOSITE WTD AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from		
26-JUN-2006	19-JUN-2006	19-JUN-2006	27-JUN-2005
64.27	-.36	64.63	71.76

NUMBER OF LOADS 592

**MONTHLY WTD AVERAGE PRICE FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

Month	Wtd. Average	Loads
June	64.44	2580.00

**QUARTERLY WTD AVERAGE PRICE FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

Months	Wtd. Average	Loads
April-June	61.04	7542.00

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	WTD	LBS
8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES
EASTERN REGION 3/	72-74	72.5
CENTRAL REGION 4/	72-74	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	74-75	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	73-74	73	73.00	40
CENTRAL REGION	72-74	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	74-75	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -** Selected Centers  
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

		Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 06/26/06	3,014	105,689	66,644	
AM 06/01/06	3,289	96,574	65,824	
CHG	-275	9115	820	
PCT CHG	-8%	9%	1%	

**HEN MARKETS****HEAVY TYPE**

(7 pounds and up)\* Final price, cents per lb., Generally for slaughter the week of 26-JUN-06

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
Southeast (1)	3-10 CENTS/LB.	8-10	9.27
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	5-13 CENTS/LB.	8-10	9.44

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

\*Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

**LIGHT TYPE**

Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds) 23-JUN-06

**REMOVAL COST**

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	4-12	8-10
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	2.5-10	2.5-7

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT**

(Receipts From Producers)

W/E 24-JUN-2006	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW LY
North Atlantic	197.6	0 -7
East North Central	619.9	4 1
West North Central	293.6	2 0
South Atlantic	180.3	-2 -9
South Central	60.7	-2 -1
West	191.8	8 -4
Total	1543.9	2 -2
Matched Plants reporting		83 83

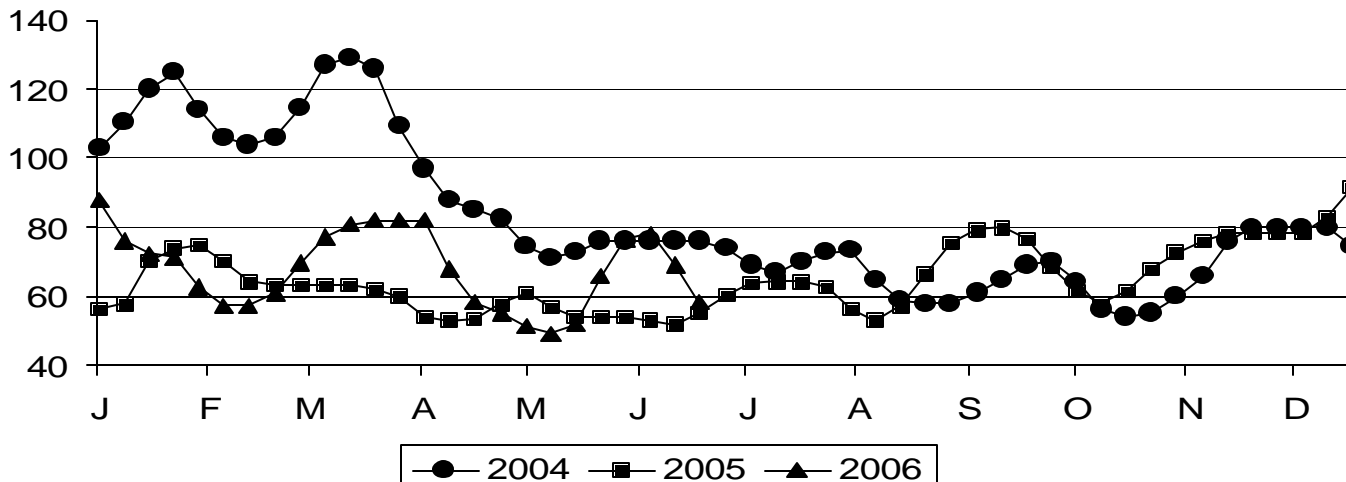
Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)

East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)

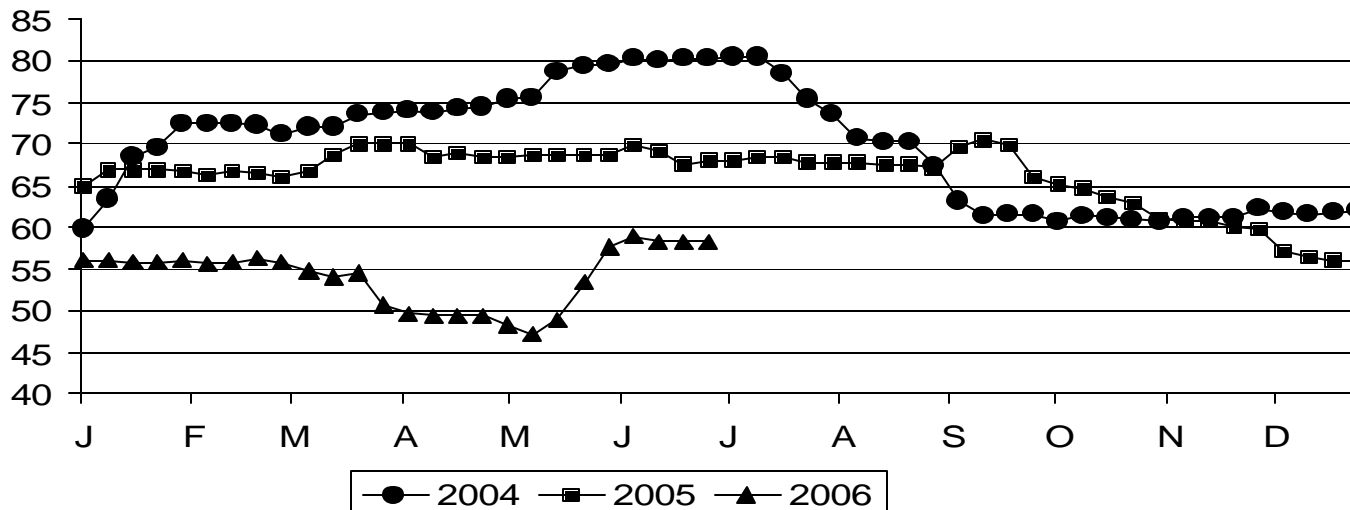
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

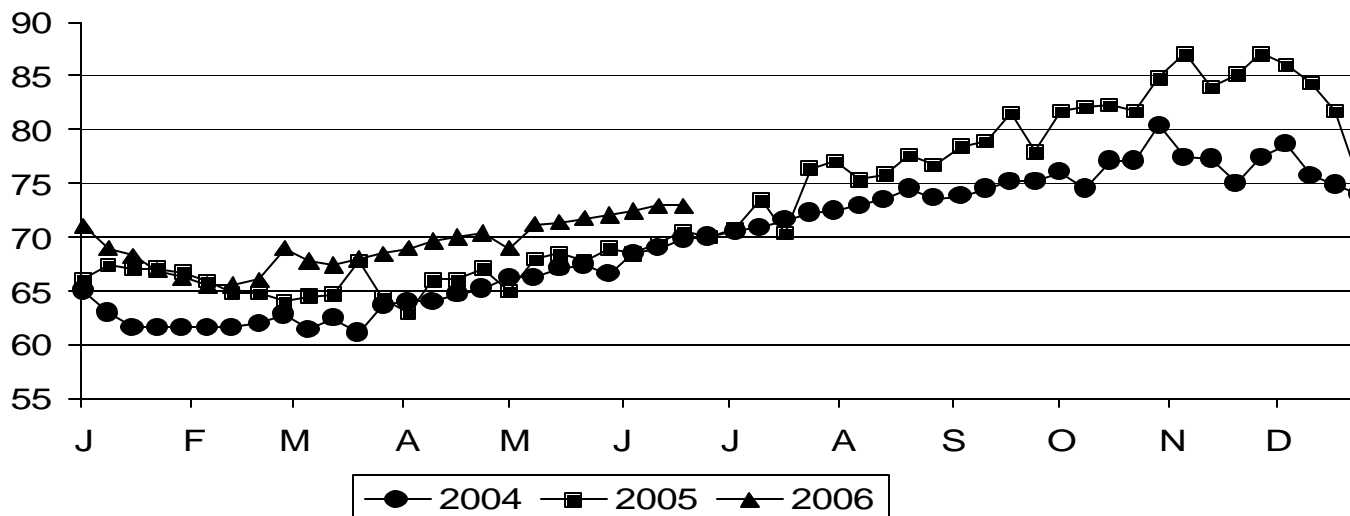
### New York Large Weekly Average Price cents per dozen



### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices cents per pound



### Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkey cents per pound



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